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(b) Fee amount. The fee amount is set annually by HHS on a calendar year basis and is based on the category of test complexity, or on the category of test complexity and schedules or ranges of annual laboratory test volume (excluding waived tests and tests performed for quality control, quality assurance, and proficiency testing purposes) and specialties tested, with the amounts of the fees in each schedule being a function of the costs for all aspects of general administration of CLIA as set forth in §493.649 (b) and (c). This fee is assessed and payable at least biennially. The methodology used to determine the amount of the fee is found in §493.649. The amount of the fee applicable to the issuance of the registration certificate or the issuance or renewal of the certificate for PPM procedures, certificate of waiver, certificate of accreditation, or certificate of compliance is the amount in effect at the time the application is received. Upon receipt of an application for a certificate, HHS or its designee notifies the laboratory of the amount of the required fee for the requested certificate.

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§493.639 Fee for revised certificate.

- (a) If, after a laboratory is issued a registration certificate, it changes its name or location, the laboratory must pay a fee to cover the cost of issuing a revised registration certificate. The fee for the revised registration certificate is based on the cost to issue the revised certificate to the laboratory.
- (b) A laboratory must pay a fee to cover the cost of issuing a revised certificate in any of the following circumstances:
- (1) The fee for issuing an appropriate revised certificate is based on the cost to issue the revised certificate to the laboratory as follows:
- (i) If a laboratory with a certificate of waiver wishes to perform tests in addition to those listed in §493.15(c) as waived tests, it must, as set forth in §493.638, pay an additional fee for the appropriate certificate to cover the additional testing.
- (ii) If a laboratory with a certificate for PPM procedures wishes to perform tests in addition to those specified as PPM procedures or listed in §493.15(c)

as waived tests, it must, as set forth in §493.638, pay an additional fee for the appropriate certificate to cover the additional testing.

- (2) A laboratory must pay a fee to cover the cost of issuing a revised certificate when—
- (i) A laboratory changes its name, location, or its director; or
- (ii) A laboratory deletes services or wishes to add services and requests that its certificate be changed. (An additional fee is also required under §493.643(d) if it is necessary to determine compliance with additional requirements.)

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§ 493.643 Fee for determination of program compliance.

- (a) Fee requirement. In addition to the fee required under §493.638, a laboratory subject to routine inspections must pay a fee to cover the cost of determining program compliance. Laboratories issued a certificate for PPM procedures, certificate of waiver, or a certificate of accreditation are not subject to this fee for routine inspections.
- (b) Costs included in the fee. Included in the fee for determining program compliance is the cost of evaluating qualifications of personnel; monitoring proficiency testing; conducting onsite inspections; documenting deficiencies; evaluating laboratories' plans to correct deficiencies; and necessary administrative costs. HHS sets the fee amounts annually on a calendar year basis. Laboratories are inspected biennially; therefore, fees are assessed and payable biennially. If additional expenses are incurred to conduct follow up visits to verify correction of deficiencies, to impose sanctions, and/or for surveyor preparation for and attendance at ALJ hearings, HHS assesses an additional fee to include these costs. The additional fee is based on the actual resources and time necessary to perform the activities.
- (c) Classification of laboratories that require inspection for purpose of determining amount of fee. (1) There are ten classifications (schedules) of laboratories for the purpose of determining the fee amount a laboratory is assessed. Each laboratory is placed into